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## **News Release**

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## **Police Conduct School Traffic Safety Operation**

The Durham Police Department, with assistance from the Durham County Sheriff's Office and the N.C. Highway Patrol, is conducting a two-week traffic and pedestrian safety operation in and around Durham high schools.

The initiative, Operation Crash Abatement and Violation Enforcement (CAVE), focuses on violations such as speeding, seatbelt violations, texting while driving, failing to yield in a crosswalk and unsafe movement.

"There have been several serious and fatal traffic accidents involving school age students in the Triangle area during the past month. We want to reduce the likelihood of such crashes occurring in Durham," said Durham Police Lt. J.E. Yount.

Officers will be highly visible in the areas around the schools during the morning commute and will be operating at different schools each day. Officers have already written several tickets for speeding in a school zone this week.